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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Record

At the Deputies' Meeting on 9 September Colonel White raised the question of GAO doing a complete and comprehensive audit of CIA funds to include unvouchered. He pointed out that the several meetings we have had with GAO on this had come to no conclusion and the last time Mr. Lloyd had talked to Mr. Samuelson the latter had indicated he was ready to bring 5 or 6 of his auditors and "go as far as he could." Colonel White said there are a number of areas in CIA in which GAO can provide a useful service by performing audits. He said, however, in his opinion this should stop just short of auditing unvouchered funds and those activities supported by vouchered funds which overlap with activities supported by unvouchered funds, e.g., personnel paid from vouchered funds but who are assigned strictly clandestine duties. He therefore recommended that he call on Mr. Smart of the House Committee on Armed Services and suggest that GAO be permitted to expand its auditing within the Agency as indicated above. The Director approved.

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